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SUBJECT: CERP 4251: LIBYAN CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION,
FEBRUARY 1975 (FINAL)

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1. FINAL FIGURES FOR CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION DURING FEBRUARY 1975
HAVE JUST BEEN GIVEN US BY SOURCE CLOSE TO MINISTRY PETROLEUM
AND INDICATE OUTPUT SLIGHTLY HIGHER THAN PRELIMINARY FIGURES
CITED IN REFTEL. MAJOR REVISIONS ARE FOR OCCIDENTAL (DOWN 11
PERCENT) AND FOR NATIONAL CO (UP 26 PERCENT).

2. PRELIMINARY AND REVISED FIGURES COMPARED:

COMPANY	PRELIMINARY	REVISED
	(000 BPD)	(000 BPD)

OASIS	303	302.4
OCCIDENTAL	240	213.8
ESSO	135	133.2
AGIP	57	60.5

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MOBIL	32	31.2
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NATIONAL CO.	125	157.4
OTHER	15	23.3
TOTAL	907	921.8

3. THE "OTHER" CATEGORY WAS TEMPORARILY INCREASED DURING FEBRUARY BY COMMENCING PRODUCTION AT EL MEHEIRIGA FIELD (AQUITAINE) FEBRUARY 7 AND SHUTTING DOWN ON FEBRUARY 20 FOR A TOTAL PRODUCTION OF 99,594 BARRELS FOR THE MONTH.

4. OTHER INDUSTRY SOURCES HAVE GIVEN VERY PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES FOR CURRENT PRODUCTION (IN 000 BARRELS): OASIS-300, OCCIDENTAL-70, ESSO-180, AGIP-60, MOBIL-20. CHANGES LATER IN THE MONTH COULD CAUSE SIGNIFICANT REVISION THESE FIGURES.

5. NUMBER ONE TOPIC WITH EXPATRIATE OIL EXECUTIVES IS WORD THAT NATIONAL CO. IS OFFERING EL BREGA CRUDE AT \$11.20 WITH 120 DAYS CREDIT. THIS COMPARES WITH \$11.86 WITH 90 DAYS CREDIT ANNOUNCED JANUARY 1.
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